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FEW NOTES FROM EDITOR, TEDD, KB8NW: Because I will be attending the Dayton HamVention, I cannot guarantee that there will be a bulletin next week. If it does happen, it will probably be late Monday. Please, continue to send your information (you never know!). The Northern Ohio DX Association (along with WVNO Radio) will once again sponsor a Hospitality Suite at this year's Dayton Hamvention. It will be in Suite 1011 on the 10th Club Floor of the Crowne Plaza Hotel (old Stouffers) on Friday and Saturday evenings. All DXers/Contesters are welcome. Munchies and refreshments will be available. Come and meet the members and friends of NODXA.

TIP OF THE YEAR (Get the hint!): When sending regular messages, turn OFF your "HTML" format in your mail programs and use plain text. This will save a lot of bandwidth. Using "HTML" usually makes the message twice as big and copies itself twice in one message!

DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 6/May, through Sunday, 13/May there were 224 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B6, 3B8, 3B9, 3C, 3D2, 3D2/r, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9Q, 9V, 9X, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C2, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, D6, DL, DU, E3, E4, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FR, FW, FY, G, GD, GI, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J5, J6, J7, J8, JA, JD/m, JT, JW, JY, K, KH0, KH2, KH6, KH8, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, S9, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TN, TR, TT, TU, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V4, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9N, VP2M, VP2V, VP5, VP8, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XT, XU, YB, YI, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZK1/n, ZK1/s, ZL, ZL7, ZP, ZS

There were 39 CQ Zones available during the past week. CQ Zones that were not active are: 2

There were 51 ITU Zones available during the past week. ITU Zones that were not active are: 3,4,9,15,21,22,23,24,25,26,31, 34,35,43,58,59,68,69,70,71,72,73,74,75,90

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations. As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL). OPDX InterNet Subscribers will receive an additional bulletin (due to its size) with a complete breakdown and "DXCC/Entities Chart of Activity".

3B6RF THE AGALEGA DXPEDITION (Update). It seems this DXpedition is now going QRT early. According to Sigi, HB9DLE, Headpilot Station for the 3B6RF operation, a "Huriccan Warning for Agalega" will make the 3B6RF Agalega DXpedition go **QRT on Monday, May 14th**. Check for official news and updates on the team's Web page at: <http://www.agalega2000.ch/>

5U, NIGER. Jim, **5U7JK**, has been active recently on 10 meters. He was heard this past Wednesday, May 9th, on 28495 kHz around 1630z where he has been heard sporadically over the past few weeks. QSL Manager is Silvano, I2YSB.

5V, TOGO. YL Elvira, **5V7SE**, has been active over the past week on 12 meters as well as 10 and 15 meters SSB. Check the following frequencies after 1600z for activity: 21275, 24965 and 28495 kHz. She has also been on a 40 meters net with Daniel, **5V7TD**, on 7045 kHz around after 2130z. Daniel has been active mainly on 20 meters but has also been heard on 17/12/10 meters. QSL both via IV3TDM.

6Y, JAMAICA. Look for **6Y6L** to be active **October 23-30th** from IOTA **NA-097**. Operation will be on all bands 160-6 meters, CW, SSB and PSK-31. QSL via WA8LOW.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Joe, G3MRC, is now active as **C91MR/3** from **Beira**. You can usually find him on 24901 kHz (sometimes on 21052 kHz) between 1600 and 1830z (sometimes as late as 0700z). QSL via home call.

E4, PALESTINE. Guenter, **E4/OE1GZA**, was expected to operate from **Ramallah** over the past week with a linear amp. He is mainly looking for stateside contacts.

EN, UKRAINE (Island Operations). Operators UX7MA, US5MPO, UR0ML and others will be active as **EN1MKN** from islands on the river "**Severskyi Donets**" (the Ukrainian Island Award references numbers are: SD-06 and SD-07). Their activity will be on all HF bands CW/SSB, from **June 13-30th**. QSL via UX7MA, by the bureau or direct to: P.O.Box 22, Stakhanov 94000 Ukraine.

HK3JJH/HK0M WRAP-UP. Pedro, HK3JJH, wrote to OPDX and informed us that he returned from **Malpelo** late Saturday evening (May 5th). He states that it was a little hard, but he is glad to be home. Pedro made approx. 15000 QSOs on SSB on all the bands, except 6 and 160 meter, which had bad propagation. He now has to translate the hand written log to the computer and send all the information to Carl, N4AA. He plans to write about his trip/activity and send it to Carl for the "DX Magazine".

HOSPITALITY SUITE IN THE SUN. The Mad River Radio Club is pleased to announce that it will again be hosting the "Suite in the Sun" at the **Dayton Hamvention** Friday and Saturday **May 18th and 19th**. Located in spaces 3858-3860, they will be there with chairs, cold soda, munchies, and a roof overhead (think protection from sun, not rain!). Stop by to take a break, talk contesting, or even look over their fine selection of radio junk for sale.

HS, THAILAND. Champ, E21EIC, will activate the RAST club station **HS0AC** in the **CQ WPX CW Contest** (possibly as a Single Op). He will be active on 80 and 160 meters. Suggested frequencies are 3.524 MHz and 1.834 MHz. QSL via G3NOM.

IOTA NEWS.....

- **EU-016.** Look for the following operators/callsigns Alfred/**9A5KV/p**, Matija/**9A3VM/p** and Tom/**9A2AA/p** to be active from **Sveti Andrija Island May 18-20th**. This DXpedition will be active, weather permitting. QSL Manager for all callsigns is: Alfred Raguz, 9A5KV, P.O.BOX : 286, 20000 Dubrovnik , CROATIA. Other reference numbers good for this operation are: World lighthouse Award : LH-388 Croatian lighthouse award : CLH-143 The "Lighthouse Sveti Andrija" is valid for the Croatian Light House Award. Hams interested in the Croatian Light House Award can get all the details on the following Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/9a7k/>
- **EU-038.** Maurice, ON4BAM, will be traveling to Holland on a holiday. While there, he will activate the "Island of Terschelling" from **May 24-27th**. He will be active from his car while signing **PA/ON4BAM/mobile**, using his TS-50S and Outbacker Perth. He mentions that if there's enough free space, he will put up his DK8SQ tower and some wire antenna(s). His activity will be on 15, 12, 10, 18, 20 meters in that order depending on propagation. QSL via CBA.
- **NA-073.** Jay, **V31MX**, will be operating from **Caye Caulker, Belize**, starting the evening of **May 15th through May 17th**. He will be operating on 15 and 20 meters SSB. QSL Manager is K0BCN.
- **SA-052.** A group of enthusiastic Peruvian hams are planning to activate **San Lorenzo Island**. They are currently trying to solve/finalize all the paperwork to operate from the island, including the use of the special 4T prefix callsign. They inform OPDX that the island is under Peruvian Navy control. The operators are expected to be Manuel/**OA4AHW**, Sergio/**OA4DKC** and Pablo/**OA4DJW**. They planned to have 2 stations active on 80-10 meters. The prearranged date is **June 29th through July 1st**, but these dates can suffer changes depending of the paperwork. The QSLs will be via **OA4DJW**.

LIGHTHOUSE OPERATION (Lights Out!). The information OPDX received and reported on in last week's bulletin about Eric/G0KJW and Terry/G0OWE going to **Longstone Lighthouse** (LH 0234) is not true. Eric contacted OPDX and confirmed this. We are not sure who started the rumor, but we are sorry for reporting it.

PJ2, CURACAO. Nine members of the Bristol Contest Group will be here and active from **July 19-31st**. Operators G6YB, G3RFX, G3TKF, G3XSV, G4FKA, G4HFX, G0WKW, M0AXF and M0WLF will provide plenty of activity as **PJ2/homecall** on all bands CW/SSB. They will also be active during the **IOTA Contest** on **July 28-29th**, using the special callsign **PJ2Y**. A special QSL for PJ2Y will be issued with G3SWH as QSL Manager. QSL all other activity to the home callsigns.

PY0F, FERNANDO DE NORONHA (Update). Dennis, K7BV, will begin operation on **May 24th** as scheduled. After an All-Band/Single Op effort in the **CQ WPX CW Contest**, he will operate **through June 1st** on all bands 160-6 meters, primarily on CW. A special callsign **PV0F** will be used throughout the operation. Rod, WC7N, E-mail: wc7n@gb.wave.net is building up a 9BDXCC chasers "work list" for Dennis including long path 160 skeds for Asia. Carl, N4AA (editor of QRZ DX), has joined the team assisting Rod keeping in touch with Dennis frequently to insure that every effort is made to fill the needs of the deserving. Carl, K9LA, is brewing propagation guru magic to predict the best path/time for those QSOs. QSL via Steve, KU9C. Check the following Web site which will be updated frequently with Dennis's current status: <http://www.qth.com/k7bv/py0f/>

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- Alex, PA1AW, reports that he now has all of the **5A24PA** logs. Cards will be printed during the next month. Cards will start going out mid June 2001. QSLs for 5A24PA go to: Alex van Hengel, PA1AW, Schoener 85, 2991JK Barendrecht, The Netherlands.
- QSLs for all valid callsigns in the **A52UD** log not previously answered direct have been prepared and sent through the bureau system. Work is now proceeding on outstanding requests for QSLs from K4VUD's activity as HS0ZCW, XW1UD, 9N1UD and 9N7UD. Questions should be directed to K4VUD.
- Don, G3XTT, (D68C Publicity Manager), reports: "Phil, G3SWH, is receiving a lot of phone calls and e-mails asking about the availability of QSLs for our February Dxpedition as **D68C**. As most folk will realise, with the biggest DXpedition of all time (168k QSOs!), getting the cards printed has been a major task, especially as we have gone for a high quality 4-sided card, which will look good in everyone's QSL collection. The cards are being printed in Germany, and should arrive with Phil late May. However, Phil and his xyl have a week's trip to 8Q7 scheduled for early June, and doesn't expect to get into the QSL activity until after his return (even QSL managers deserve a break occasionally!). Please be patient. The cards will be well worth the wait. And remember that SWL cards do not go to Phil, but to Bob Treacher (see previous bulletins for his and Phil's address)."
- Jose, EA5KB, informs OPDX that he is the QSL Manager for following stations: **CO2FN, CO8EJ, CO8OT, CO3JR, CO8CY, CM6QN, CM6YD, CE2LZR, YV6AZC, TG9AMD, TG9AAK, CX2AQ, CX5AO, CX2SA, CX3VB, HP1AC, CX1CCC** and **CW0Z** (SA-030). QSL is OK via the Bureau or CBA.
- **FR/F6KDF/T QSL STATUS.** Gil, F5NOD, one of the FR/F6KDF/Tromelin CW operators, reports that around 1500 QSLs were supposed to be mailed last week (The major part of it are QSLs received last year). A second QSL package (around 800) will be sent at the end of this month (The last package of QSL received last year). Gil states again, "Do not resend QSL requests yet ... Save your green stamps .. I will inform you when all QSLs were mailed! Please do not send me E-mail 'Did you receive my QSL?': Because I really don't know! Don't worry about your QSL! All QSLs received will be returned!"
- Cam, **HP1AC**, informs OPDX that he now has a QSL Manager handling his cards after May 1, 2001. QSL HP1AC via his QSL Manager EA5KB: Jose Ardid, P.O.Box 5013, 46080 VALENCIA, SPAIN.
- Members of the United Amateur Radio Club (URAC), operated using the callsign **N6UB** from **Catalina Island** (IOTA NA-066) during last weekend (May 11-14th). Please QSL

using a SASE or enclose an envelope with green stamps or an IRC to cover postage, direct to N6UB (good in the callbooks). URAC operates a Club Station at the Los Angeles Maritime Museum in San Pedro, CA (part of Los Angeles). Operators from the club will include Martin/N6UB, Dale/W7IXL, Neal/N7NW and Doug/WB6ROH.

- Steve, KU9C, states that the **PW0S** QSLs have begun to hit the mail. He is working hard to get as many out as he can before the Dayton HamVention. Some of the PW0S team will be there, and if you want to see them, look for them at the DX forum on Saturday morning or at the QRZ DX booth on Saturday 2-3 pm (booth #313). The PW0S QSL can be viewed at the following Web site: <http://www.ku9c.com>
- Thanks to Vladimir, UZ8RR, for providing a short list of QSL routes.

SO8ZZ via UY5ZZ

EM10UCC via UY5ZZ

EM7Q via UY5ZZ

US0Q via UY5ZZ

QSL only direct to UY5ZZ: Box 4850, Zaporozhye, 69118, UKRAINE

- The **VK9ML** QSL Cards have been received back from the printer. The card can now be seen on the VK9ML website (Go to News Bulletin #21) at: <http://www.qsl.net/vk9ml/>
- **VK9XY QSL UPDATE**. OPDX was informed of the following: Stefan, DH1SGS, has stated in late April that all VK9XY cards have not been sent out yet. There is some problem with mailing the cards at present, but when this is cleared up, all cards will go out.

RG, RUSSIA. Slava, UA4HTT, will be active as **RG4H** in the CQ-M, WPX and all major contests. QSL manager for Slava is RW4HB. Bureau cards are OK, for sending direct, send to: Serge Golobokov, P.O.Box 37, Samara, 443099, Russia.

S2, BANGLADESH. Rashid, **S21AR**, is active almost daily on 15 meters. Check around or in between 21260 and 21290 kHz, from 1100 and 1530z or after 0430z. QSL via JA1UT.

SPECIAL EVENT. Gil, JA0DWY, informs OPDX that a special event station for "International Telecommunications Day" will be active from **Nagano**, Japan (JCG: 09008), now **through May 20th**. The callsign will be **8J0ITU**. Gil told OPDX that he will operate this station **May 17-20th**. The station will be active on 80-10 meters (WARC bands too) CW/SSB (however, mainly CW). QSL via JARL bureau.

SPECIAL EVENT/IOTA OPERATION. A group of Italian operators will be active **May 23-27th** from **Santo Stefano Island** (IOTA EU-045) Pontinian Archipelago with the special callsign **IB0S**. This special event is to commemorate the century of the first radio contact made by Guglielmo Marconi between Cornwall and Newfoundland through the Atlantic Ocean. A contact will be made with VO1WET on SSB and also on CW Saturday, **May 26th** at 1300z. QSL Manager for this special callsign IB0S is I0YKN: Carmine Meoli, Via della stazione snc, 04010 CORI (LT) ITALY.

SP, POLAND (Lighthouse Operation). Peter, SP5PB, will activate the **Niechorze Lighthouse** as **SP5PB/1** from **May 18-20th**. Activity will be on CW/SSB. This operation is valid for the "SP Lighthouse Award", SPL 13. QSL via the bureau or CBA.

TT, CHAD. Chris, **TT8DX**, has been very active on 10 meters over the past weekend. Check 28495 kHz starting around 1330z as late as 1800z. QSL via F5OGL.

VP5, TURKS CAICOS ISLANDS. Dick/W3RM and Mike/N3MT will be active from the **Providenciales Island (NA-002)** from **May 31st through June 14th** as **VP5/W3RM** and **VP5/N3MT**. Operation will be on 80-10 meters, mainly CW, some SSB. QSL via home calls.

XW, LAOS. Charly, K4VUD, who has been active as HS0ZCW over the past week, should be in Laos by the time you read this. He did not mention what his callsign would be, but he did state, " I will be searching for the correct license there to satisfy ARRL DXCC." Charly hopes to be on the air on 20 and 15 meters with 100 watts. Check on CW about 20 kHz up from bottom of band edge (plus or minus Asian pirate QRM) and on SSB, check the usual frequencies.

ZL7, CHATHAM ISLAND. Ed, K8VIR, is active as **ZL7IR**. His length of stay is unknown, but his activity seems to center around 20/17/12 meters. He reportedly is working on the island and will be active during his free time. Operations seem to start around 0100z and sometimes last as late as 0700z. There have been a few QSNs as early as 1030z on 20 meters. Check the following frequencies: 14260, 14270, 18130 and 24950 kHz. QSL via W8WC.

SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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<http://www.papays.com/opdx.html>

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<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/nodxa.html>

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